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SUDDEN BLAST CAUSES TEMPESTUOUS SEAS AND WIDESPREAD HAVOC.

With its velocity at one time reaching 130 miles an hour, a terrific typhoon has ravaged Hong Kong Harbour and the surrounding districts, causing widespread damage and, it is feared, heavy loss of life.

The British submarine L9 was sunk in the Harbour. The Admiralty states, however, that there has been no loss of life.

Cables giving graphic descriptions of the violence of the wind and seas are arriving, but some little time must elapse before full details of the havoc caused can be secured.



THE first news of the great disaster came early yesterday morning in a brief cable from Hong Kong which stated that the British submarine L9 had sunk in the harbour.

Many steamers, the message added, had been wrecked in a great storm, and "the worst typhoon this season is raging."

It was only when further details began to arrive that the full extent of the havoc caused by the storm—described as a world's record for violence—began to be realised.

The typhoon lasted an hour, and at one time the wind velocity reached 130 miles an hour.

In a vivid cable Reuter's special correspondent states that the wind blew with hurricane force and raised a tempestuous sea.

At the height of the storm an Indo-China steamer, the Loong Sang, dragged her anchor, while long typhoon blasts indicated that the Japanese steamers Ginyo Maru and Sekino Maru were in distress. The Indo-China steamer sank off the pier head after a gallant attempt had been made to rescue those on board.

SWEEP TO DEATH.

The rescue party included Mr. R. C. Mitchell, a sanitary inspector; Mr. George Watt, senior Revenue officer, and Mr. Grimmett, a Revenue officer, together with another British officer and a Norwegian seaman.

Although the storm was then at its fiercest, they volunteered to make their way to the pier head with ropes in an endeavour to reach the sinking vessel, and took off 12 of the officers and crew who could be observed gathered together on the poop. At that moment the steamer was seen to heel over, and the next instant the crew were washed overboard. Some of them endeavoured to cling to the wreckage, but they were swept away by the rough seas.

A Jardine (river) steamer also sank, and it is believed that all hands were lost. A Blue Funnel tug-boat made a gallant effort to get a line to the steamer, but without success.

SEAMEN WONDERFUL.

SUBMARINE DRIFTING WITH SMASHED CONNING TOWER.

Meanwhile the British submarine L9, which had been drifting helplessly in the mountainous seas, with its conning tower smashed in, sank off the Hong Kong club.

The Admiralty states that all the crew of the submarine are safe.

Eye-witnesses are loud in their praise of the gallant efforts of the crew of the Ginyo Maru, who succeeded in rescuing two British bluejackets from the submarine, one of whom had managed to cling to a yacht's buoy.

Eventually the two men were hauled up on to the deck of the Japanese steamer.

The Sekino Maru, which was in great danger, was saved by a clever piece of seamanship on the part of the Japanese skipper, who succeeded in bringing his vessel undamaged alongside the Statue Pier.

The French mail steamer Andre Lebon, which was anchored in mid-seas and which dragged both anchors, drifted a considerable distance, and came perilously near to fouling the Empress of Australia which was anchored near by, but a collision was averted by the splendid



The King is taking a holiday at Balmoral. He is seen wearing the kilt of the Royal Stuart Tartan inspecting the Balmoral Guard of Honour.

FATAL EXPLOSION ON CUNARDER.

BURST STEAMPIPE KILLS THREE MEN.

Three firemen were killed by the explosion of the main steampipe on the Cunarder *Verronia* yesterday morning, when the vessel was off the Isle of Wight.

They were E. Grey, M. Joyce and G. Evans, all of whom are said to be London men.

When the accident occurred the captain wireless for assistance to Southampton, and a tug went out with a doctor, but the sea was so rough that should could not get alongside the steamer, and the doctor megaphoned instructions from the tug.

The *Verronia* was disabled for seven hours, at the end of which time the engine-room staff effected temporary repairs and the vessel was able to reach Southampton under her own steam.

BAND CONTEST SCENE.

BLOWS EXCHANGED AFTER A DISQUALIFICATION.

A riotous scene occurred at the annual Brass Band Contest at Matlock yesterday.

Oldham had just played the test piece when the Kirkby Old Prize bandmen arrived and pushed their way to the platform. They were, however, disqualified for losing their turn by late arrival, and there was a turbulent scene. Eventually blows were struck, one bandman being specially singled out for saying Lancashire men were no sports. The police intervened successfully.

The winners were Oldham, 1st; Chesterfield, 2nd; Swanwick, 3rd; Hucknall, 4th.

A "PUSSYFOOT" PANDEMONIUM.

CRY OF "GO HOME" GREET MR. JOHNSON.

Capetown, Saturday. Mr. "Pussyfoot" Johnson, who is on tour here, was rudely disturbed at a meeting at Port Elizabeth.

The hall was crowded, and when Mr. Johnson began to speak there was a wild uproar, which made it impossible for him to be heard.

Shouts of "Go home," "Mormon," and other exclamations rang out.

The meeting concluded in a perfect pandemonium.—Reuter.

PILLORIED ON THE SCREEN.

M.P.s ALARMED.

KINEMA WAR AGAINST ENTERTAINMENT TAX.

The Entertainment Tax Committee has decided to pillory all members of Parliament on the subject of their votes on the abolition or reduction of the entertainment duty.

Informing each member that "my committee has been investigating the list of names of members of Parliament recorded in Hansard as having voted for the abolition or amendment of the duty," Mr. Gavazzi King, the secretary, is now writing to all those whose names did not appear in the division list notifying them that

As it may be necessary to inform by means of the screen that large body of citizens which attends the kinema, why the effort to abolish or amend the entertainment duty failed, my committee would greatly welcome any explanation you may be disposed to make on the matter.

Nothing angers members of the House so much as a campaign of this sort (writes a Political Correspondent of "The People"), and if it is to be carried on all over the country much may be heard of it.

Just before the House rose there was a meeting of criticised M.P.s to discuss what action they should take. Owing to the lateness of the session the attendance was not large, but when there was a somewhat similar menace by the same organisation in 1922 scores trooped into the committee room and protested.

On the present occasion those who have been pilloried—unfairly, as they think—have asked the legal department of the central Unionist office whether an action at law will lie against those who have been attacking them.

Another point is also sure to come up: Whether this constant pillorying of members throughout the years before an election is not an infringement of the law affecting the conduct of elections. Clearly, if other interests adopted the same policy as the kinematograph people, electioneering might go on all the year round.

The legitimate stage is by no means in favour of this work of pillorying.

DE VALERA.

BROUGHT TO DUBLIN UNDER STRONG ESCORT.

De Valera arrived at Dublin from Limerick yesterday morning under a strong military escort. He is now in military custody in Dublin.

De Valera was arrested last week at Ennis, Co. Clare, when he was on the point of making a speech at an open-air meeting. Free State troops, accompanied by an armoured car, surrounded the platform and shots were fired.

The panic-stricken crowd dispersed, after which De Valera was marched away to the local barracks. He was subsequently conveyed to Limerick on a military train.

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FRENCH REPLY TO-MORROW.

BELGIUM TO URGE AGREEMENT.

POINCARÉ'S "IF."

NEW GERMAN RIOT.

It is expected that the French reply to the British Note on the Ruhr and reparations will reach London to-morrow morning.

The London correspondent of the "Echo de Paris" (quoted by the Exchange) states that Mr. Baldwin, who is due to pass through Paris in a few days' time, is desirous of meeting M. Poincaré, and for the interview being made.

Reuter, however, says that talk of such a meeting is premature, and adds that it is not thought that such a meeting can be fruitful of any very satisfactory results until the situation has become somewhat clearer.

Copies of the French answer to the British Note were handed to the Belgian Foreign Minister yesterday. M. Theunis and M. Jaspar are at work on the preparation of the Belgian reply.

It is certain, says the Exchange, that the Belgian Government will refuse the British point of view regarding Belgian priority. Furthermore, the Belgian reply will emphasise the fact that the British document puts 14 billion 200 million gold marks as Britain's share in the reparations, and it will lay stress on the necessity for Allied agreement.

M. Jaspar, today, according to the Paris "Matin," quoted by Reuter, will deal with the form in which the occupation of the Ruhr shall be continued.

WOULD RAISE BLOCKADE.

"If passive resistance is ended," declares the paper, "our occupation will be immediately modified. The number of troops will be considerably reduced, and our engineers will confine themselves to supervision and give up management of affairs.

"The blockade between occupied and unoccupied territory would be raised, and commerce would be resumed as once with the Reich.

"The railwaymen who have been expelled might perhaps be allowed to return."

Dr. Stresemann, the new German Chancellor, continues to be attacked by the Communists and the Extreme National Party, who predict that he will share the fate of Erzberger and Rathenau.

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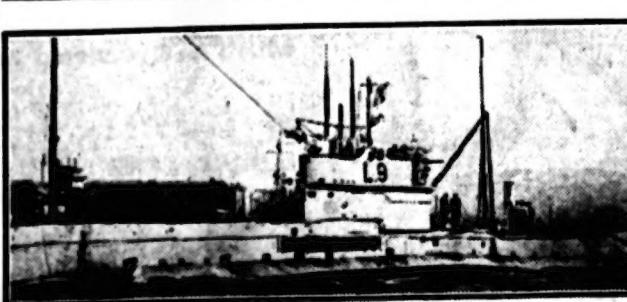
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The lost Submarine L9.

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Moderate or fresh N.W. winds; mainly fair, rather cool.

Wind W. to N.W. moderate to strong, mainly fair, but some local showers; visibility good; rather cool.

Wind Norterly, light or moderate, variable sky, some local showers; visibility good; rather cool.

Wind N. to N.E. light or moderate, variable sky, some local showers; visibility good; rather cool.

Further outlook: Unsettled.

THE ISLAND OF MISERY.

AMAZING NEW CHARGES AGAINST U.S. IMMIGRATION STATION.



Cages of Ellis Island, where immigrants to the United States are "put through it."

FOLLOWING on a vivid disclosure by Sir Auckland Geddes of the miseries of Ellis Is- and, the New York Immigration Station, which he visited in response to numerous complaints, come startling allegations by unhappy folks who have just returned to the Clyde after rejection by the United States authorities.

A well-educated woman described to "The People" the bad sanitary conditions and general accommodation on the Island. The beds were without mattresses, she said, and for three weeks she never had her clothes off. The food was uneatable.

She alleged that the attendants were "rude and barbarous" in their treatment of women.

In his report, the British Ambassador at Washington courageously condemned a system under which travellers suffer "diabolic suspense" in locked cages, and recommended, among other things, that criminal deportees



ELLIS ISLAND: Hungarian women at dinner on Ellis Island.

should go to a separate station, and that immigrants should be weeded out in their own country.

Wiring yesterday the Glasgow correspondent of "The People" described the experiences of a young and well-educated woman who has just reached Glasgow from America. She went to the United States as a second-class passenger, and upon arrival was held up for three weeks at Ellis Island. The conditions as to bedding accommodation and feeding were bad.

Huddled among 2,000 foreigners, mostly Lithuanians and Rumanians, of all classes, and forced to sleep within caged recesses like prisoners, their circumstances might have been tolerated, she said, but the attention and sanitary conditions were awful. Words could scarcely describe their sufferings.

The stench of the place was frightful. It made her ill and she required medical attention.

The beds were without mattresses or coverings, and for three weeks she never had her clothes removed.

The place was over-run by mice. The food served up was uneatable, and she had to buy fresh food—at extortionate prices.

The attendants were anything but kind. She alleged that they were rude and barbarous in their treatment of women.

One woman, in a condition calling for the utmost humane consideration, was so badly treated, she asserted, that a Scottish mate interceded on her behalf.

A Glasgow male passenger also stated that words could not describe their sufferings. The facts given by Sir Auckland Geddes were under rather than over-stated.

For example, as regards the food, "said the man, "Sir Auckland declares that it seemed pretty good; but if he had been forced to eat it it would have been different."

It was so very bad that after his acquaintance with it he refused

Returned Emigrants on Geddes Report.

'BAD FOOD; NO BEDDING.' Alleged Brutal Treatment of Women.

to touch it, and was obliged to buy stuff. The result is that he was forced to spend all his savings and has now returned to Glasgow penniless and in distress.

SIR AUCKLAND'S INDICTMENT.

Issued as a White Paper, Sir Auckland Geddes's report describes the unsatisfactory nature of the sanitary arrangements, asserts that the rooms for medical boards are unsuitable and inadequate, and laments the use of locked doors and wire cages, although the Ambassador says that he is satisfied the work of the station could not be done without them.

Sir Auckland says that if he were asked to advise the responsible authorities he would recommend:

Put the existing buildings into a thorough state of repair and keep thoroughly clean. Arrange through structural alteration for proper medical examination rooms. Do everything to expedite the handling of the immigrants, especially in the matter of appeals.

Provide a new station for criminal deportees. Authorise United States Consuls to refuse visas to the passports of those obviously prevented by law from entering the United States.

Arrange, if possible, for all immigrants to be finally approved or disapproved in their home lands.

SOAP NEEDED.

The impression Sir Auckland received on his visit to the immigration station was that the cleaning was done with long-handled brushes and mops with, at times, aid from a cold-water hose.

Nothing but hot water, strong soda and soap freely and frequently applied with a scrubbing-brush will serve if real cleanliness is to be obtained, say the report.

As a result of the presence of chronic dirt, the buildings are pervaded by a flat, stale smell. This is quite distinct from the pungent odour of unwashed humanity.

Both are to be met at Ellis Island. Indeed, the compound smell of old dirt and new immigrants is so nearly universal there that I should not be surprised if it were no longer noticed by the members of the staff. After leaving the island it took me 36 hours to get rid of the aroma, which flavoured everything I ate or drank.

Sleeping accommodation for immigrants and detained persons is provided chiefly

SEASIDE CURFEW COMEDY.

LIGHTS OUT AT 11! THE KILL-JOY SPIRIT AT CLACTON.

(From a Special Correspondent) Clacton-on-Sea, Saturday.

At what time should folk go to bed when on a holiday?

Such is the question that is bothering the good people who come to Clacton and the folk who run the boarding establishments and wax fat on the proceeds.

The latter say that all respectable holiday-makers should be in bed, or at least indoors, by 11 p.m., and in the rooms at most establishments you will find neat little notices stating "the house closes at 11 p.m.; lights out at 11.15 p.m."

But most of Clacton's visitors come from London and the 11 p.m. closing "gets their goat."

"Let's sit up till twelve," they say.

Any old time is their motto. But this spirit is not appreciated by the landlords, so promptly at 11 the doors are shut and the lights go out a quarter of an hour later. Then the fun begins. Lovers are, of course, locked out, and they kick at the doors, which are opened with a few kindly words of advice.

Clacton must go to bed at 11, although the dancing on the front is not over until that hour, and the boarding-house keeper who can lure young folk away from a dance is not born.

All Clacton is laughing over a whole boarding-house party who were locked out on the night of the carnival, and another resident of a house that was besieged is worthy of mention.

The good lady decided that the 11 p.m. rule must be kept. Somewhere around the witching hour of midnight the tenants arrived home accompanied by others with lusty voices. All began to sing "Yes, we have no bananas."

The result was not immediate, but it came at last. The door was opened and the lodgers admitted. Next morning a deputation waited on the good lady and the local police inspector sent a feeble message about "not doing it again."

CHANCEL BEAUTIES.

BRIGHTON CHOIR WOMEN TO DRAW CONGREGATION.

The staidest church in Brighton-Holy Trinity—has shocked the town.

During the past week it was crowded with members of all denominations who came to pay tribute to "Robertson, of Brighton," the famous preacher, whose ministry at Holy Trinity was closed by his death seventy years ago.

The Bishop of Chichester was the preacher, and the Rev. R. J. Campbell read the lessons.

The startling surprise came when a woman's arm, shapely and bare, stretched out to take up a book from the choir stalls in the chancel. A little craning of necks—to see beyond the clergy—revealed a salmon-pink jumper, somewhat daringly cut just behind Mr. Campbell. And then there also appeared a pretty profile and the green of a summer hat.

Among the varied emotions that followed, all were surprised that the chancel of "Robertson's church" should be thus invaded by young ladies in gay summer attire. But the church council have decided that the choir is an "attraction," and that the presence of the choir in the chancel would draw more people.

RAILWAYMEN'S DISPUTE.

Trade Unions to Confer with Minister of Labour.

The dispute on the Great Northern Section of the London and North Eastern Railway regarding the claim of the National Union of Railwaymen that Award 728 be extended and applied to all the employees on the Great Northern system will be discussed by the trade unions concerned with the Minister of Labour in London next Friday, in the hope of finding a settlement.

It will be remembered that the Great Northern men threatened to strike on July 31, but withdrew their notices so that further negotiations might be held.

LONDON BREVITIES.

L.C.C. have been asked to install an ambulance station at New Cross Gate. Hendon Rural Council propose buying Most Farm, Headstone, formerly manor of Harrow, as a recreation centre.

Mr. R. Kerr, of Gunnersbury, whose death is announced, was expert in making lace from porpoise skins.

Chelsea Council has asked the G.P.O. to install several street automatic stamp machines in the district.

Greenwich Guardians are providing cups and saucers for women inmates, but the men retain their mugs by request.

Mrs. Emily Stevens, of Wadham Marsh, Wadham, near Croydon, yesterday celebrated her 10th birthday.

The inquest on R. A. Parsons (38) and A. G. Crosby (9), the victims of the bus and tramcar collision at Chiswick on Thursday, has been fixed for to-morrow at Hammersmith.

The oldest building in the Borough from an architectural point of view was the description of Southwark Cathedral given by the Surveyor, the Rev. T. P. Stevens, in a lecture yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. Christopher J. Butteriss, of 102, Lewisham High-nd., S.E., have just celebrated their golden wedding. Despite their 73 years, they both enjoy good health and are very active.

Mrs. Linden (67), of Horseshoe-nd., Westminster, was crossing the junction of the thoroughfare with Marsham-nd. last night when she was knocked down by a motor-omnibus and killed.

"Football Fever" is Preliminary Carlie's topic this evening at the Monument Cinema Church.

WATER SPOUT AND HIGH WIND.

CYCLONE STORMS THE STREETS.

A whirlwind, which literally took London off its feet, paid the Metropolis a visit shortly after noon yesterday, accompanied by an unexpected thunder-storm which, though only of short duration, was of quite startling violence.

Rain in torrents swept the streets,

sending the crowds, just pouring out

from shops and offices, scurrying into the nearest shelter.

The course of the whirlwind, which was characteristically erratic, was distinctly traceable in Hyde Park and Kensington Gardens, where it left its trail strewn with small branches, newspapers, and the hats of unwary loafers.

At Brighton, where the regatta had to be postponed until to-morrow owing to rough weather, promenaders had a fine view of a waterspout of unusual height which rose about two miles out to sea.

The breaking of the waterspout was accompanied by a torrential downpour.

RAID ON THEATRE.

MUSICIAN "KIDNAPPED" BY CARNIVAL REVELLERS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Southsea, Saturday.

Southsea is intoxicated with the spirit of the carnival. The whole sea front, the canoe lake, the grounds and the piers are alive with masked and costumed revellers.

Merrymakers raided the King's Theatre on the gala night. King Carnival and the Mayor of Portsmouth mounted the stage, held up the revue, and encouraged to address a riotous audience, revelling in a mass of coloured streamers, but they were arrested by comic policemen and escorted to the wings.

In the middle of the revue, the musical director, who, in fancy dress, was conducting the orchestra with an old umbrella, was kidnapped by a party of costumed pierrots and pirates, carried out of the theatre, and held for ransom.

As the show could not proceed, the conductor was generously returned from the private boxes.

THE QUEEN'S GIFT.

As a token of her gratitude to Mr. George Heaven, builder, of Borough Green, Sevenoaks, for his services during improvements at Queen Mary's Home for Girls at Whitstable, the Queen has sent him a set of silver links, together with a letter of thanks.

The man's clothing must have slipped and entangled him, and although Harry Harris, a well-known life-saving expert, swam out with a lifebuoy and wire and managed to bring him ashore, efforts to revive the man proved unavailable.

The two schoolgirls were brought safely ashore, among their rescuers being Gwyn Nicholls, the famous old Welsh three-quarter.

A cistern of beautifully preserved stonework has also been discovered. Still more valuable finds are expected.

DERELICT HOUSES OF BATH.

DUST OF YEARS.

WOMAN OWNER WHO HAS VANISHED.

Where is Miss Ethel Appleyard, who owns two houses, one in Bath and one in the village of Weston, two miles outside the city? One is The Firs, standing in grounds at Weston. The other is No. 13, Grosvenor-nd., Bath.

Both houses being furnished, the rate collector wanted to collect rates amounting to £36 for The Firs and £14 for the other house. Failing to find Miss Appleyard, rate summonses were issued, but the police have been unable to serve these.

The absent owner is said to have been seen at The Firs five years ago, when she bought it. According to local statements she used to go there at eleven and twelve o'clock at night and walk about the grounds. To-day the garden is a wild tangle of weeds and untrimmed, luxuriant summer foliage. The windows of the house have been shattered by destructive school children, and some of the lead work has been torn away. Villagers have even raided the place and taken away some of the furniture.

As for 13, Grosvenor-place, the blinds are down, and even if they were up it would be difficult to see into the house for the dirt and dust of years on the windows. The back garden is another wilderness and the verandah is sagging and dilapidated.

But for one single hard fact on which to found a "mystery," there has so far been a fruitless search—unless the condition of the houses justifies the word.

The most prosaic and possibly the most truthful version is that Miss Appleyard has not lived in Bath for some time, and declines to part with the property. "Personal reasons" are spoken of for this decision.

UNKNOWN HERO'S FATE.

Drowned in Attempting to Save Two Girls.

Attempting to rescue two schoolgirls who had got into difficulties in a rough sea at Weston-super-Mare yesterday, an unknown man, aged about 30, who had dived into the water fully clothed, was himself drowned.

The man's clothing must have slipped and entangled him, and although Harry Harris, a well-known life-saving expert, swam out with a lifebuoy and wire and managed to bring him ashore, efforts to revive the man proved unavailable.

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£100,000 BEAUTY SCHEME.

A NEW FAIRYLAND ON THE SOUTH COAST.

(From Our Own Correspondent) Portsmouth, Saturday.

A big scheme to improve Southsea as a seaside resort has already been undertaken by the purchase from the War Office of Southsea Common by the Portsmouth Corporation for £45,000.

This tract of land, extending to 173 acres, situated between the promenade and the boarding houses will be beautified at a cost of £50,000.

The corporation are prepared to spend in all £100,000 on their plans.

There are undoubtedly unlimited possibilities in the common. Winter gardens, pavilions, playing grounds, ornamental fish ponds and fountains, and bandstands have been suggested, but the work of laying out the ground is not to be undertaken in any piecemeal fashion.

Prizes to the value of £400 are being offered for best competitive designs submitted before Oct. 20.

Another £30,000 is to be spent on the construction of a Grand Parade immediately to the west of the common linking it up with Old Portsmouth. This parade is to have a promenade on the seaward side and a large boating lake on the other side.

Visitors will be enabled by this scheme to reach the ramparts and the most historical portion of the borough without making a wide detour.

Much of the work will be carried out during the winter and will help in the relief of unemployment as well as in the progress of Southsea.

The speculation is considered sound because the completed scheme will make Southsea an all-the-year-round resort, and will attract many more thousands of visitors. This increase is essential on account of the decrease of naval activities and the reduction of the dockyard establishment.

ROMAN BATH UNEARTHED.

Valuable Finds in Famous Watering City.

The recent renewal of excavations at the Roman baths in Bath is beginning to yield results of great interest.

Beneath the old Kingston baths (which have been demolished) and within a few yards of the Pump Room a large swimming bath has been discovered, and a fully defined big drain in which the Romans used to convey hot mineral water to the bath has been found with a portion of the original Roman lead intact.

A cistern of beautifully preserved stonework has also been discovered. Still more valuable finds are expected.



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As a first instalment, a sum of £12,000 has been paid to the two young authors of "Yes! We have no bananas," the big-craze song that has become so popular all over the United Kingdom since it was introduced by "The People."

The song was published in "The People" some weeks ago, and from



Irving Cohn. Frank Silver.

that time onward there has been such a sustained "run" on the song that it is demand and demand have had a neck-and-neck race.

Demand, so far as the issue of "The People" that contained the song is concerned, has won, for there are no more back numbers to be obtained.

The Banana issue of "The People" is, in short, completely sold out, although large extra supplies were printed.

The lucky royalty receivers are Mr. Frank Silver and Mr. Irving Cohn.

When absent-mindedly singing the song to themselves it is said that they now sing, "Yes; we have some royalties."

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A bottle of wine was won by Miss Tippler at a fete at Ongar (Essex), and Miss Coldwell was in charge of the Treasure

Oven.

LADY HAMILTON
FINED 10/-.

MOTOR SMASH DRAMA.

HAD ONLY HAD WINE
AND A WHISKY.

"The People" is informed that Lady (Diana) Hamilton is to appeal against her conviction at Marbrough-st. police court, where she was fined 10s. and ordered to pay 4s. costs, for being drunk and incapable of taking care of herself in Regent-st.

The case, which had been adjourned owing to the illness of the defendant, was a sequel to a motor accident in Regent-st. on July 25.

Evidence was given that after the smash Lady Hamilton, who was in the car, which was driven by a man named Contamin, was found to be drunk. Asked her name at the police station, she said she had none, and gave her age as "a hundred."

Lady Hamilton, giving evidence, said she was 35. Her husband was Edward Archibald Hamilton, Baronet.

She had never met Contamin alone before the night in question. On that occasion he called at witness's friend's house in Baker-st., where they had some glasses of light white wine. The friend, defendant and Contamin, went for a ride in Contamin's car, and then went to a restaurant. There defendant had a whisky and some biscuits.

COVER YOUR FACE.

After leaving the restaurant witness got into the car with Contamin, the friend being left. Contamin was going to drive witness home. There was a very bad collision with a lamp-post.

When the awful crash happened Contamin shouted, "Cover your face," and witness immediately did so.

Contamin got out of the car, a crowd gathered, and the car was pushed to the police station. Witness got out of the car without anyone asking her to do so. Two policemen assisted her, and she accidentally kicked herself. She probably stumbled as a result of that.

She walked into the police station unaided.

Lady Hamilton added that she was afraid she treated the matter as a joke and was laughing about it. "They asked me how old I was, and I said '175.' What am I here for?"

William Bayliss, of Worcester, said he was in London on the night and was defendant in the car. He asked the way to Paddington. She was sober.

Dr. Henry Robinson, of Bramsgardens, said defendant had had several illnesses. She was "hysterical and excitable."

COLOURED MAN
AND WHITE GIRL.ROMANCE REVEALED BY
A TRAGEDY.

The association of an English girl with a coloured man has been revealed by a tragic motor smash near Albourne, Sussex.

Lawrence Bertram Manuel (22), an Indian student, lost his life and Miss Nellie Waters (22), an Eastbourne shop assistant, was seriously injured, and is not expected to recover.

Manuel and Miss Waters were travelling on a motor-cycle and side-car when they came into collision with a charabanc. The motor-cycle combination was dragged underneath the coach. The petrol tank caught fire and the couple were imprisoned in the blazing wreckage, being extricated with difficulty.



Miss Nellie Waters. Lawrence Manuel, injured.

At the inquest at Brighton on Manuel, his wife, who gave her address at Seaford, said her husband was a student in electrical engineering. Lately he had been taking a practical course at Eastbourne. They had been living apart for two and a half months.

Evidence was given that when within about four feet of the charabanc the motor-cycle swerved right across the front of the vehicle.

Manuel died, it was stated, from shock from severe burns, but would not have lived in any case owing to fracture of the skull.

The inquest was adjourned till September 7 in the hope that Miss Waters will be able to give evidence.

The injured girl's father, Mr. Charles Waters, stated in an interview that his daughter met Manuel at Eastbourne three months ago.

The girl's mother said Nellie, having made up her mind to marry Manuel, packed up her things and went away to London with him, "in spite of our efforts to persuade her not to do so, because we felt that no good could come of it."

"Shortly after she went away a young woman called at the house carrying a 12-months-old baby, and made inquiries about Manuel, who, she said, was her husband. Nellie wrote later saying she was afraid she had made a bad mistake, but she would stand by the man."

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THE FRENCH REPLY.

The probability is that the French reply to the last British Note will be received in London to-morrow, and perhaps the least said about its contents the better. So many people appear to know all the Note contains, and perhaps few will be surprised when they read it, and there will be the usual chorus of "I told you so."

There are indications in Paris, however, that the recent display of irritation is subsiding, and that the British Note may, after all, be discussed in a calm and business-like manner. Those who believe Englishmen are eager to fall on Germany's neck make a huge mistake, as do those who alleged that we wish to release her from her obligations to the Allies.

As "a nation of shopkeepers" we want what is due to us, and intend to have it, or as much of it as we can get. If we refrain from bludgeoning the debtor because he cannot pay us all, it is not so much for love of him as consideration for ourselves. Our necessities rather than our inclinations make us merciful.

But, above all, we want a settlement of the whole ghastly reparations tangle, because that way lies national reconstruction and economic equilibrium. When the house is burning it is no time for the tenants to fight among themselves; better get all hands to the pump.

CANKER IN THE STATE.

The Danger of Socialist Sunday Schools.

A LITTLE child lives up to the ethical standard of those around him, and has no other means of forming a standard of conduct." That is quoted from an official publication of the Socialist Sunday School movement, and it shows that Socialists realise the importance of catching them young.

It is one of the greatest dangers and most daring scandals of the time that our children are being deliberately corrupted in those hotbeds of blasphemy and sedition commonly known as Socialist Sunday Schools. The foundations of religion, family life and social order are being undermined with devilish assiduity, and all too little is being done to counteract their baneful influence.

It would not be just to say that nothing has been done. The British Empire Union long since started a campaign to investigate and expose these Socialist Sunday Schools, and others have contributed their share to the good work; but more systematic and determined effort is needed, if the peril to our future peace and prosperity is to be avoided.

In the latter part of March last, Sir John Butcher, Bart., Conservative member for York, introduced a Bill in the House of Commons to prevent the teaching of seditions or anarchical doctrines or methods to the young. It was introduced under the "ten minutes" rule, and Sir John's speech was of necessity very short, as was that of Mr. Ben Turner in reply. The Bill imposed penalties for teaching to children under sixteen doctrines intended to bring the King, Constitution, or administration of justice into contempt, or to incite the King's subjects to attempt to change the form of Government by other than lawful means.

Time to Stop It.

Socialist publications abound in reasons for legislation of some sort in the interests of the State. Among the ten proletarian maxims may be found—

"Thou shalt not be a patriot"; "Thou shalt teach revolution"; "Thou shalt wage the class war." This and much more is taught to boys and girls too young to think for themselves, whose judgments are unformed. But an even more insidious evil is the campaign against religion, for there the very foundations of moral character are attacked. Here are the concluding words of a mock prayer: "O Father, the person said it was Your will. If that is so, then I would rather go to Hell than be with You." And here is a question and answer from a Socialist Sunday School catechism: "Is it true that after Christ's death the Apostles received the Holy Ghost?" "It is not; the Apostles had imbibed too freely of wine, and their dizzy heads imagined all sorts of queer things."

It is high time the people of this country awoke to a fuller realisation of the evil that is poisoning the hearts and minds of the rising generation. While they sleep in fancied security the enemy is sowing such tares among them as will produce a hideous crop at no very distant day.

RANDOM RHYMES.

Methinks I'll chuck this rhyming stuff, I see the papers state. That British sports are searching for a champion heavy-weight, A fellow who can whip the world—if such a one you'd see, Just ask my old friend "Gone Out" to bring you down to me.

It's true I'm not quite six feet three, I'm nearer five feet four, But I can make it up in years, for they exceed three score, And though I don't love fighting I am keen on L. S. B. So just you ask my friend "Gone Out" to bring 'em down to me.

I've never fought the Bombardees, Dampsey I can't endure, I'd like to meet Carpenter just to give him a hit, but you just! Beating is not my aim, but J. L. Ballou might be. If you can fix things up with me just bring him down to me.

TALK of the PEOPLE

BY WIDEAWAKE.

First Lady of America—
Eastbourne and the Duke—
Dusky Cricketers.

Simply Idiotic.

I see that Mr. George Lansbury justifies the action of the Poplar Borough Council in granting generous relief to the striking dockers on the grounds that an Act passed in the reign of Queen Elizabeth requires the Council to do. Mr. Lansbury, moreover, likens the spirit of the strikers to that of the men who defended Ypres. If this simile were not so ludicrous it might well be offensive. And I wonder if Mr. Lansbury really thinks that good Queen Bess would have tolerated a condition of affairs where men who remain idle against the orders of their own elected leaders are to be supported by their poor but hard-working neighbours. If Mr. Lansbury had the sense of humour of Mr. Bernard Shaw we might have reason to think our legs were being pulled.

A New Governor.

Sir John Chancellor, K.C.M.G., D.S.O., who was Principal Assistant Secretary to the Committee of Imperial Defence, is shortly leaving for Rhodesia, where he will take up the position of Governor under the new Constitution for this territory, formerly administered by the British South Africa Company. Sir John takes with him as A.D.C. Capt. the Hon. Arthur Lowther, younger son of Viscount Ullswater, ex-Speaker of the House of Commons. Capt. Lowther till recently was A.D.C. to the Governor of Bahamas, and previously to that served as an Assistant District Commissioner in British East Africa, or Kenya Colony, as it is now called.

First Lady of America.

Mrs. Calvin Coolidge is now the first lady of America, though she has not yet taken up her residence in the White House. She still occupies the Presidential suite of rooms on the third floor of the New Willard Hotel in Washington, where many tokens of felicitation have reached her.



The photo we give is the latest portrait of the new President's wife. She Mrs. Calvin Coolidge is a very busy woman, taking a great interest in social work and all that concerns the true interests of her sex in the States.

Concerning Kenya.

Kenya is one of the happy hunting grounds of the grievance-mongers. Some complain that the position of the white man is rapidly becoming impossible, others that the status of the Indian settler is derogatory to his dignity, and others again that the native black gets a very poor time of it. I don't know whether the institution of coroners' inquests may be accounted a part of the tyranny which has to be endured by the natives, but I do know that one inquest held in that colony gave the most surprising result.

And an Inquest.

This is how the story was told to me. In an out-of-the-way place a native died under circumstances not easily explained; so the coroner of the district, who was a white man, determined to hold an inquest. A jury of natives was summoned and the coroner explained to them the nature of the proceedings. He then, according to custom, sent them to view the body. The jury were away for some time, and at last the coroner, wondering what they were doing, went to see for himself. To

his disgust and dismay he found that the native jury had not only viewed the body, but they had cooked and eaten it as well.

Changes at the House.

During the recess the Office of Works is carrying out considerable changes at the House, though the most important does not directly interest members. This is the completion of the drainage, which is found to be inadequate when the Thames is high and the neap tides occur. When Parliament meets again, moreover, members will find changes in various rooms. Thus the Strangers' Dining Room will in future be what has been the Members' Smoking Room. The Members' Smoking Room will be transferred to the other side of the Members' Reading Room. The Members' Tea Room will in future be what has been the Strangers' Dining Room.

Morocco Tangier.

It is an ungrateful task to play the part of pessimist, especially during the holidays, but I fear that we have serious troubles ahead of us in the matter of Morocco. The claims of ourselves and Spain and France are sadly at variance. Great Britain and Spain can easily arrive at an understanding, but France is asking for more than we and our Spanish friends deem reasonable. There has, of course, been the usual meeting of experts with the inevitable result of complete and abysmal disagreement.

Ready for Football.

The Home Office Committee which is investigating the arrangements for dealing with crowds on special occasions, and more especially at athletic meetings, concluded the hearing of evidence this week, and its report should therefore be ready for the start of the football season. It is not yet known how the Home Office will lay before the club executives concerned its recommendations, though these will, in the first place, be circulated to the police authorities. There seems, however, to be no doubt that the club executives will be expected to act on them.

A Hot-Weather Malady.

The hot weather has been productive of a great number of throat maladies such as tonsillitis and sore throats generally. The doctors attribute this outbreak partly to the dust in the air, but mainly to the habit of people sitting in cool draughts after severe exercise. As so many doctors are on their holiday those who have remained at their posts have had a very strenuous time.

Eastbourne and the Duke.

I happened to go to Devonshire Park in Eastbourne the other day and was not surprised to see as large a crowd as ever. Many places, streets, parades, avenues, etc., are named after the Devonshire family and their various country residences. The Duke, of course, has a considerable amount of property in Eastbourne, but, sad to relate, he is not so popular among the residents of the seaside resort as was his predecessor, Compton Place, the family seat, is let, and the Duke does not apparently seek to endow the town in the lavish way which his forebears used to do.

The Colonial Office.

Talking of the Duke, I wonder how long he will continue in the post of Secretary of State for the Colonies? It has been known for some time that he is quite willing to vacate it should occasion arise. The Colonial Secretary, whoever he may be, will have to take a strenuous part in the deliberations of the Imperial Conference next October.



Mrs. Bull: Not so much of that club. It's time you looked after your own children.

CIGARETTE PAPERS.

FOR AFTER DINNER SMOKING.

By the Lounger.

THEY are having a busy time in West Sussex.

For the first time since 1913, Army manoeuvres are being carried out, and the placid cows behold with astonishment lumbering artillery, clattering cavalry and squat armoured cars throwing up the dust in the hedge-bordered lanes.

The idea is that a "Robot" army from across the Channel is attempting to make good a footing on the South Downs, held by the Aldershot Division.

I cannot help wondering how many of those who in 1919 hurried their khaki into a corner, swearing that they never wanted to see the beastly colour again, are secretly envying those fellows out on the rolling Downs, swinging to the canter of their horses or foot it stoutly from bivouac to "the place of assembly" in the fresh morning air.

War is "avid," of course, but—Well, well, these are naughty thoughts for a staid married man with grey hairs beginning to show at the temples.

ENTHUSIASTICALLY digging up the road in the vicinity of the Marble Arch, amateur archaeologists have discovered several human skeletons and a number of skulls. It is true that the chief object of their labours was to lay a new main for the Metropolitan Water Board, but anyone who has observed the calm, contemplative manner of the Ordinary, or Road, Navy will agree that he abhors his mind as much as possible from every day matters.

Consequently the discovery of the bones must have caused the finders keen interest, and pleasant anticipations of their photographs in the weekly papers as witnesses in a spicy murder case.

I am afraid, however, that the remains are those of malefactors who "danced without a floor" under the "triple tree"; in other words, criminals hanged at Tyburn many a year ago.

The "triple tree" was a triangular wooden frame resting on three uprights, and it stood at the east end of Connaught Place, where the latter joins Edgware-rd. Oxford-est. was then called Tyburn Road and the now aristocratic Park Lane was then Tyburn Lane.

Near the gallows were commodious wooden galleries in which the quality might sit in comfort and share with the jostling mob below the delightful spectacle of perhaps a dozen fellow-mortals jerking and writhing in the death-agony.

WITH that sweet and homely simplicity which is one of the things we like so much about our American cousins, those responsible for the erection of the Bush building in Aldwych have caused to be inscribed over the Kingsway entrance the simple message:

TO THE FRIENDSHIP OF ENGLAND SPEAKING PEOPLES.

I had been under the impression that it was built merely as a place of business, but now the secret grandeur of the scheme is revealed. Here Men will be able to Get Together and have real Honest-to-Goodness talks in the quaint, but beautiful English tongue, with its thousand dialects. Here the man from Boston, Mass., may shake the hand of his fellow from Boston, Eng., and lie about the population and progress of the old home town.

But, imposing as the building is in its plain solidity, I miss something. I want to see the roses climbing round the Open Door, I want to see a Cuspidor just inside on the floor; I want to see the Janitor a-smoking a Cigar, and telling "Howdy?" to the Guy that runs the Cocktail Bar. I'm kinda tired o' frills and such; I simply want to Meet the English-speaking People that you see right on the Street.

ALTHOUGH I pride myself on being a law-abiding citizen, it is not without a secret thrill that I learn that the good old-fashioned smuggler is coming into his own again on the English coast.

The coast of Sussex used to be one of the favourite haunts of the industrial smuggler. In 1749 a special Commission sat at Chichester to try seven mariners who had murdered two Customs officers. The seven were condemned to death, and six others were afterwards hanged for playfully flogging to death a man suspected of giving information about their movements.

These, however, were extremists—seafaring members of the Left, so to speak. Frequently the smuggler and the riding-officer were on excellent terms, and the latter took care to be out of the way when the former was about to make a landing. And curiously enough, a leg of '75, or a yard or two of lace for the officer's lady, would appear mysteriously on the Customs officer's back doortost shortly afterwards. Those were the days, my masters. Skies my timber!

An Anglo-Indian friend has been telling me about a Scottish keeper who was taken by his employer, the "Laird," as a personal attendant on a sporting tour through India. The Laird good-naturedly took care that his henchman should see all the wonderful sights of the East, but the good Donald was not impressed, rather to the annoyance of my friend and his guest.

At last they showed him that wonderful building, the Taj Mahal.

"Come now, Donald," said my friend when he had given the donor one time to take in the spectacle, "tell me honestly: did you ever see such a wonderful sight?"

"Och, aye, mon," replied Donald calmly, "I aince saw a peacock wi' a wooden leg at Coope-Angal."

WHEELS OF TERROR.
ROAD PERILS ON THE INCREASE.
CALL FOR REFORM.

The increase in motor traffic on London and country roads recently has been followed by a large number of accidents, several of them fatal. Many of these could have been avoided if more stringent rules of the road had been in operation.

Two coroners have made notable suggestions—one that motor cars should carry an electric torch, which could be shown when the lights failed, and the other that hedges at by-roads should be cut low for ten yards round the corners.

The indirect cause of many mishaps, especially in London, is attributed to the traffic chaos brought about by the



THE TRAFFIC PROBLEM.—A correspondent writes: "I find very little difficulty in solving this problem on the Brighton road."

large number of thoroughfares that are "up" for repairs.

Reckless driving, dazzling headlights, and inexperienced motorists are also contributing to the general confusion and danger.

Already Scotland Yard has given a lead by intimating that a heavy hand will be laid on road hogs who persist in dangerous driving.

MANY SMASHES.

TWO BUSES OVERTURNED, AND WOMAN KILLED.

At Peterborough yesterday morning a motor-lorry collided with a passenger bus from Peckham, completely overturning it. Harriett Ann Revell (57), of Netherfield, Notts, was killed, and seven other persons injured.

Another of the fleet of workmen's motor-buses, one of which recently came to grief whilst conveying miners from Glasshoughton Colliery to Pontefract, narrowly escaped disaster whilst travelling with full load.

The car was travelling along tram-roads towards the colliery, when without the slightest warning it overturned near Malt Shovel Hotel, Glasshoughton, all the dozen occupants were thrown out, but escaped serious injury.

Knocked Down by Car.

Benjamin Nibley (56), of Calverley, near Leeds, has died in Blackpool Hospital following a road accident. Nibley was alighting from a charabanc when he was knocked down by a passing motor, the base of his skull being fractured.

No Horn Sound.

A Bank Holiday motor smash was investigated at Pontefract yesterday when Leonard Lawton, motor engineer, Leeds, was summoned for driving to the public danger.

The evidence showed that Lawton turned into the Great North Road at the dangerous Darrington cross roads on the wrong side at 20 miles an hour without sounding a horn, and crashed into a motor cycle and sidecar, which was smashed. The driver and passengers were pitched six yards into the roadway.

Lawton was fined £10 and his licence endorsed.

Drunken Driver's Zig-zag.

At Regate yesterday Edward Thomas Rogers, of Salcombe-nd., Clapham Junction, was sentenced to a month's hard labour for being drunk in charge of a motor-car, and driving in a reckless manner.

It was stated that Rogers signalled from one side of the road to another at 35 miles an hour at a point in the High-street where half the road is undergoing repair and nearly knocked a horse down.

Danger Men Pay £100.

Lancaster Justice yesterday imposed fines amounting to £100 on the motoring community for dangerous driving, this being very slightly in excess of last week.

TO-DAY'S MUSIC IN THE PARKS.

Bands will play in the parks to-day as follows:

Green Park.—Caledonian Guards, 4 to 8 p.m.

Hyde Park.—Caledonian Guards, 4.30 to 9.30 p.m.

Royal Parks, 3 to 5 p.m. and 7 to 10 p.m.

Greenwich Park.—British Legion, H.Q., 3 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8.30 p.m.

Regent's Park.—R.N. Volunteer Reserves, 3 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8.30 p.m.

Richmond Park.—Caledonian Pipe Band, 1.30 to 5.30 p.m. and 6.30 to 8.30 p.m.

Kensington Gardens.—Kensington Volunteers, 3 to 5 p.m. and 6 to 8 p.m.

Hyde Park.—5th City of London Rifles, Brockwell Park.—Lord Randolph's Military.

Victoria Park.—3rd Battalion, London Regt. (R.F.), 6.30 p.m.

Clapham Common.—British and Captain Silver Pipe Band, 6.30 p.m.

Battersea.—The Guards, 6.30 p.m.

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WOMAN LIFE FOR RESEARCH.
DOOMED STOIC.
STUDYING CANCER TO SAVE OTHERS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Norwich, Saturday.

For the last two months Dr. Margaret Boileau has laid on her sick-bed in Surrey-st. nursing home at Norwich waging a ceaseless war against cancer.

No one knows better than she does that her chance of recovery is slight indeed.

Dr. Boileau is daily visited by two women doctors with whom she once worked in London. With their aid she notes the course her disease is taking.

By continuing this to the last she hopes to wrench from Nature another secret and aid science in the fight against the ravages of cancer.

Much of her life has been spent in doing voluntary work among the poor of London and Norwich.

She has given valuable aid at the Jenny Lind Children's Hospital and at the infant welfare clinic in Norwich.

Throughout her life she has devoted special attention to cancer. The story of her last effort to discover the cure of this disease will in all probability be published one day as a memorial.

Dr. Boileau took her degree at the London School of Medicine in 1906. She comes from an old Norfolk family.

Her brother, Sir Maurice Colbourne Boileau, Bart., is the Lord of Kettlingham Park Estate, Wymondham, Norfolk.

The family has descended in an unbroken line from Etienne Boileau, Baron de Castelnau and St. Croix, who was Governor of Paris in 1230.

Inquiries at the home to-night elicited the information that Dr. Boileau passed a fair day.

THE CASUAL'S CHANCE.

WORKHOUSE HOSTEL FOR DOWN-AND-OUTS.

A chance for the poor man who is down and out through no fault of his own is offered by the Metropolitan Asylums Board.

For the next twelve months the Holborn Casual Ward is to have a hostel, where men from other casual wards, who it is thought with assistance will again become respectable citizens, are to be helped to make a new start in life.

Superintendents of casual wards will send likely men to the hostel. Each man will remain at the hostel for a few weeks, and will be allowed a better diet than that served at the ordinary casual ward.

The men will not be called upon to perform the usual tasks, but will be expected to help themselves, and assist in running the hostel.

Only one chance to make good will be given. If hopeless they will be sent back to the casual wards.

SHAMEFUL "HOUSING."

SIX OF BOTH SEXES IN ROOM AT A BIRTH.

Scandalous housing conditions at Milton Regis, near Sittingbourne, Kent, were disclosed at an inquest yesterday. It was stated that in a lodging-house a woman gave birth to a child in a room where her husband slept on a couch, and a young woman of 25 years and three school children slept on another bed.

"A disgusting state of affairs," said the jury. The coroner is reporting the facts to the health authority.

The newly-born child died from suffocation.

THE BOY'S POCKET.

Knocked down by a cycle in Southwark Bridge-nd., S.E., yesterday, a boy named Walter Keene, aged 7, had in his pocket two tops, 139 cigarette picture cards, 61 marbles, 24 trouser buttons, a watch key, two dice and a live white mouse.

The boy sustained a severe shaking.

THIS MORNING'S LATEST LINES.

During the past month three out of every four persons in the Blean (Kent) district applied for vaccination exemption.

Mr. Asquith is to address a meeting under the auspices of the National League of Young Liberals, at the Free Trade Hall, Manchester, on November 20.

Lord Carson is to visit Ulster early in December to cut the first and in connection with the Mourne Mountains water scheme of the Belfast Corporation.

Another fatal case of sleeping sickness (encephalitis lethargica) has occurred in Cornwall, at Truro, the victim being an elderly Staffordshire woman who was spending her holidays in the city.

Mr. W. D. Woolley, who has risen step by step to the position of general colliery manager of the Tredegar Iron and Coal Company, Ltd., has been promoted by the directors to the position of general manager of the company.

Stonehouse (Plymouth) Guardians have forwarded to the Government for the Government a resolution urging that steps should be taken to "remove the penalties and injustices imposed on old-age pensioners in consequence of thrift or friendly association."

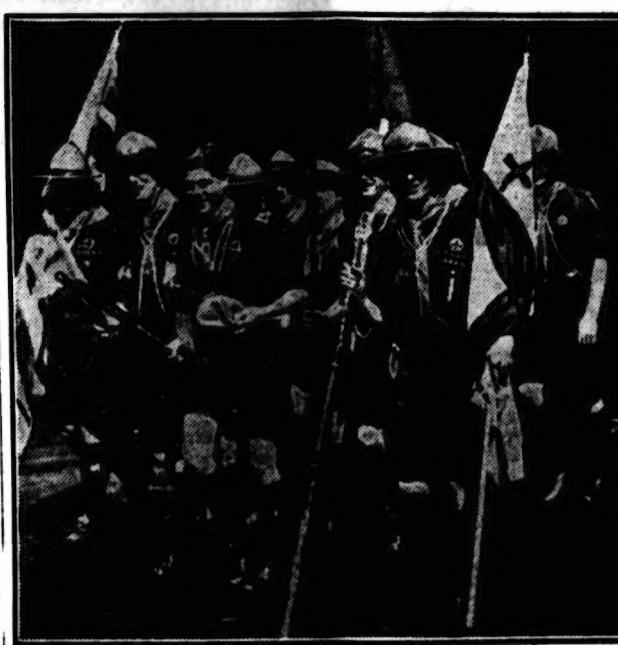
From Liverpool to Germany.—A toy balloon, released at Liverpool (Banks) August Bank Holiday carnival landed at Münster (Germany) 280 miles away. A second, out of some 70 sent up, landed at Götzenhain (Germany) 180 miles.

Woman's Help.—Members of the Blackburn police detective staff yesterday presented Mrs. Lily Barker, of Bridgefoot, with a gold watch and fob in appreciation of services which led to the discovery of widespread market thefts and the conviction of offenders who were found with 80 stolen purses in their possession.

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From the Lord Mayor of London to the Mayor of Riga, Greetings! The ten senior scouts of the Lord Mayor's Own City of London Troop starting yesterday on their long journey eastward to the famous Baltic port.

A MECHANIC OF HIGH DEGREE.

LATE DINNER AND BUTLER MYTH.

Mr. Charles Hicks-Beach, brother-in-law of Lord Ladbroke, ex-Lord Chancellor of England, who is working in a motor garage at Kingsdown, near Deal, gave a revised version of a picturesque story published about him yesterday.

When interviewed, he was engaged in swabbing down a motor-car.

"How can they say I change for dinner and sit down at table to be waited upon by a butler, when I am at work here from nine in the morning until ten o'clock at night?" he said.

"I have got to work for my living, that's certain. There is no disgrace whatever in honest work. But, what the deuce has it to do with other people what money I earn?"

He added that after serving with the 5th Canadian Regiment, he came to London trying to get employment.

"The job I am now on," he concluded, "is my living. It is no hobby, I assure you."

PHANTOM CONTRACTS.

WAR OFFICE SERVANT ON FRAUD CHARGES.

Described as a War Office temporary clerk, Frederick Green (37), of Tachbrook-st., Pimlico, pleaded guilty at Westminster court yesterday to a series of charges of obtaining money by false pretences.

Mr. Wallace for the prosecution, said Green introduced himself to butchers in Smithfield Market as an inspector of meat and asked them if they would like to tender for the meat contracts for various barracks and the Tower.

One tradesman was asked to call at the War Office. There Green showed him a typed document about the meat and prices, and said, "I suppose you are prepared to pay £3 for inquiry fees?" This sum was handed to him.

Accused, who had had shell shock, was remanded for a medical report.

MUSIC HALL SLUMP.

Mr. Edward Laurillard has acquired a lease of the Little Theatre, and will from September 2 continue the type of entertainment which has been so successful there. About the end of September he will produce a new revue.

Directors of Mass Empires, Ltd., announced that they do not feel justified in declaring an interim dividend on the ordinary shares this year.

No dividend could be paid for the week of 1922, as the working results in a loss, but 10 per cent. was distributed in 1921 in two payments of 5 per cent.

He is occupying himself in a close study of Ruskin.

TEMPLE GATES RE-OPENED.

BEDRIDDEN PRISONER "PICKS UP" ON PRISON DIET.

George Tebbutt, the bedridden bankrupt of Hove, who was recently sentenced to six months' imprisonment for fraud, is benefitting in health by his life in Pentonville.

The doctors have decided that he has been bedridden too long to have any chance of ever again being able to walk, but his general health has improved considerably in consequence of the special diet given him.

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WROTE HISTORY OF BIBLE.

Stated to have written the only complete and illustrated history of the Bible, of which Queen Alexandra ordered three copies, the Rev. William J. Houston, who has spent 45 years in the Wesleyan ministry, holding pastorates all over England and Scotland, celebrates his golden wedding on Tuesday.

Yesterday Mississ.—Died in the heavy traffic between London and Thame was caused yesterday by the derailment of an engine at Horne Bay station. Single-line working had to be resorted to for about four hours.

Big Trout.—A monster trout, weighing 1 lb. 15 oz., was caught yesterday in Whalley, Old Town, Lancashire, by Mr. Walter Cowen, a famous local angler.

He intends to preserve it as a remarkable catch.

Family's Narrow Escape.

During a severe storm at Guisborough, Middlesbrough, a tree in front of a cottage occupied by Mrs. Rose and her son was half by lightning. Windows were shattered and a boy was thrown into a room. The three occupants had to get out in time for yesterday's service.

GUARDIANS' AUDIT SENSATION.

STRONG REPORT.

"SHORT WEIGHT AT OUT-RELIEF STORES."

A strong report has been issued by the Ministry of Health office, who held an inquiry into certain matters arising out of the audit upon the Lewisham Guardians' accounts for the half-year ended March 31 and Sept. 30, 1922.

Among his conclusions are—

Stamping of insurance cards in the custody of an employee at the hospital were regularly in arrear.

The employees did not at all times maintain intact the full amount of the Guardians' money entrusted to him.

Method of stocktaking was useless.

Quarterly balances were made up by inserting the stock found by the stock-taker, and the accounts were made up to suit that stock.

Short weight to the extent of about 5 lb. a hundredweight was given in tea, sugar, etc., at the Eltham out-relief stores.

Shortages of condensed milk were made up at Eltham by taking tins from cases and showing them as waste in the store.

Method of recording goods issued to the branch institutions was quite inadequate.

Method of boot distribution to the unemployed requires reorganisation.

In the tender forms "estimated quantities" were inserted without regard to the actual needs.

There was no evidence or suggestion of any dishonest action on the part of the clerk, says the report.

The report says, "Certain officers in the out-relief stores gave evidence of having given short weight and other improper practices. Their excuse was that what they did they did by the instruction of their immediate superior."

THE QUE

ARMY NOTES

By
"TOMMY"
ATKINS."

It is certainly remarkable that Jack Tar generally comes off so well as compared with Tommy Atkins in the matter of financial advantages, but it is certainly not less remarkable that Jack Tar is tremendously alive to his own interests, while the soldier is not.

In the days when Welfare Committees, with power of direct approach to the Admiralty, were first mooted in the Navy I wrote in "The People" as to the possibility of similar action, in the matter of grievances having a collective application, on the part of the soldier. But the suggestion fell flat.

The Naval warrant officers, long ago, not only had their own organisation, but

their own Journal. Perhaps these are among the reasons why to-day they may rise to commissioned status and enjoy other advantages not dreamt of in the philosophy of Regular Army W.O.'s. What was recently accomplished by the Naval Welfare Committee was a veritable eye-opener, and there seems to be a very active movement on foot to secure pensions for the widows of lower-deck ratings. Presumably this refers to peace time pensions, and in the Army the widow of no soldier of less rank than Warrant Officer, Class I, need hope for pension unless her husband's death was directly attributable to service.

CONTRIBUTORY PENSIONS.

It is admitted by sailors themselves that an scheme to provide pensions for the widows of sailors who die otherwise than on service must be on a contributory basis, and I have never come across any soldier's combination to suggest making a contribution towards pensions for their widows in the event of their death otherwise than in war.

Tommy, of course, is "The Absent-Minded Beggar," and while he would contribute his head if you approached him point blank, even if they were merely to benefit some heathen, he needs nothing short of drastic State compulsion to make him stink a finger in his own interests.

DEFERRED PAY - NEEDED.

The result is seen when the soldier leaves the Services. I have proved before by statistic that over a long period of years there is a greater percentage of ex-soldiers among the unemployed, in the casual wards, and in workhouses than of any other class or profession whatsoever. This is far too bad a suggestion, and in the activities of the various charitable societies it is surely time that the Government made Tommy do something for himself. It is true that the old "deferred pay" system, which guaranteed the soldier from £20 to £80 on discharge for the purpose of fitting him out for the next civilian adventure, is no more. Something should be evolved to take its place. Above all, the

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The Government is responsible for his unemployment benefit on discharge: it pays his insurance contributions; it exempts him from the old pre-war hospital stoppages. Moreover, it has, at one and the same time doubled the rate of Reserve pay, and the full amount is open to all to Section "D" men who before the war, had to be content with £40. Surely no reasonable soldier would object to any contributory scheme which assured him, say, the round sum of £100 payable to him in a lump sum immediately on discharge!

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SOMETHING FOR WIDOWS.

Moreover, what is required is a uniform amount absolutely guaranteed to every man on discharge, or, in the event of his death before that date, to be payable to his widow.

There should also be a scheme whereby, if a soldier's contributions are stopped for a certain period of years, the widow should be assured of a small pension in the event of his dying otherwise than on service.

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NAVY NOTES

FINDING JOBS FOR THE EX-SERVICE MAN.

By "THE MAN BEHIND THE GUN."

Paymasters Triumphant.

SOME time ago attention was drawn in these notes to the fact that the National Association for the Employment of Regular Soldiers, Sailors, and Airmen was excluding from the scope of its activities two classes of ex-service men out of employment who had been recommended by me to request assistance at its hands.

These were men of the R.F.C. (B), who were refused aid on the ground that as members of that force they were not "regular" sailors; and others of all classes, whose refusal was based upon the fact that the individuals were not resident within the metropolitan area.

I offered some trenchant criticism, and correspondence resulted with its officials on the subjects raised. Since that date the Admiralty have appointed a retired captain to represent it upon the Council and have granted a subsidy, while masters have so much improved in the opinion of the regular representatives of the lower deck that the Anti-Servicemen's Trust had handed the Association £700 as a grant in aid of its work for fleetmen. That the naval representative has made his presence felt in the interests of the men is illustrated by the publication in A.E.O. of an announcement that the Association will for the future keep lists of professional service men for permanent employment under the Postmaster-General, "The Employment Exchanges transmitting their lists to the Association. Naval "professional men" are defined as naval and marine ratings who have engaged, or extended their service for 12 years, or longer, and including R.F.C. (B) men.

A list of agencies which covers the whole of the military recruiting offices in the country is appended, to any of which an applicant may apply, but what is of much greater importance to men late of the senior service is the three naval branches, at Dockard, Chatham, New Passage Hill, Devonport, and 20, Buckingham-street, Portsmouth. The address of the Association is 119, Victoria-st., S.W.1.

RETIRING OFFICERS' CLAIMS.

Among several letters on the subject of the great naval robbery "Captain sends a note headed 'The man who stayed at home'—

"Referring to your note on the Admiralty decision that officers who served in the war should receive re-remuneration on their previous service, may I point out that we have no private means, as placed on the same footing under the Pensions (Increase) Act 1920, as officers who did not come up and serve in the Great War? May I give an example of what this means?—

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"I now have a small private means and am still fighting, but was promoted on service, but as he has small private means cannot be dealt with under the Act.

WAN MEDALS required. Write for particulars. NEWCASTLE, 117, Postage extra.

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THE STORY UP TO NOW.

Illustrations the same of the story, has been laid in Switzerland, but with the return to England a change comes over Sir Eustace. Always impulsive, impulsive, his youthful bride sleek with fear, his impulsive affection terrifies her at times, and his obvious lack of regard for others leads her to doubt the wisdom of remaining with him in spite of the splendid prospect. And all the while events seem to be drawing her nearer and nearer to "Master Scott."

CHAPTER XXX.
Doubting Castle.

IF I had known that this was going to happen, I would never have troubled to cultivate their acquaintance," said Lady Grace fretfully. "I knew, of course, that that artful little minx was running after the man, but that he could ever be foolish enough to let himself be caught in such an obvious trap was a possibility that I never seriously contemplated."

"It doesn't matter to me," said Rose.

The news of Dinah's conquest had come like a thunderbolt. In common with her mother, she had never seriously thought that Sir Eustace could be so foolish. But since the utterly unexpected had come to pass, it seemed to her futile to talk about it.

"The wedding is to take place so soon too," lamented Lady Grace. "That, I have no doubt, is the doing of that scheming mother of hers. What shall we do about going to it, Rose? Do you want to go, dear?"

"Not in the least, but I am going all the same," Rose said still smiling, but her eyes were fixed. "I think you know, Mother," she said, "that we might do worse than save Sir Eustace and his party to stay here for the event."

"My dear Rose!" Lady Grace gasped at her in amazement.

Rose continued to stare into space. "It would be much more convenient for them," she said. "And really we have no reason for allowing people to imagine that we are other than pleased over the arrangement. We shall not be going to town before Easter, so it seems to me that it would be only neighbourly to invite Sir Eustace to stay at the Court for the wedding. Great Malloway is not a particularly nice place to put up in, and this would be far handier for him."

Lady Grace slowly veiled her astonishment. "Of course, dear, if you think so, I might be managed. I shall not put any difficulty in the way."

The letter that reached Sir Eustace two days later was penned by the Colonel's hand, and contained a brief but cordial invitation to him and his following to stay at Perrythorpe Court for the wedding.

He read it with a careless smile and tossed it over to Scott. "Here is magnanimity!" he commented. "Shall we accept the coals of fire?"

Scott read with all gravity and laid it down. "If you want my opinion, I should say 'No,'" he said.

A Lazy Challenge.

"Why would you say 'No'?" There was a lazy challenge in the question, a provocative gleam in Sir Eustace's blue eyes.

Scott smiled a little. "For one thing, I shouldn't enjoy the coals of fire. For another, I shouldn't care to be at too close quarters with the beautiful Miss de Vigne again, if I had your very highly susceptible temperament. And for the third, I believe Isabel would prefer to stay at Great Malloway."

"You're mighty clever, my son, aren't you?" said Eustace with a supercilious twist of the lips. "But—as it chances—not one of those excellent reasons appeals to me."

"Very well, then," said Scott, with the utmost patience. "It is up to you to accept."

His brother leaned back in his chair, his black brows slightly drawn, and contemplated him as he did it.

"By the way, Scott," he said, after a moment, "Dinah staying here need not make any difference to you in any way. She can't expect to have you at her beck and call as she had in Switzerland. You must make that clear to her."

"Very well, old chap," Scott spoke without raising his head. "You're going to meet her at the station, I suppose?"

"Almost immediately, yes," Eustace put up with a movement of suppressed impatience. "We shall have tea in Isabella's room. You needn't turn up."

"Oh, don't trouble! I'm going to turn up." Very calmly Scott made rejoinder. He had already begun to write; his hand moved steadily across the sheet.

Sir Eustace's frown deepened. "You won't catch the post with those letters if you do."

Scott looked up at last, and his eyes were as steady as his hand had been. "That's my business, old chap," he said quietly. "Don't you worry yourself about that."

Sir Eustace strode across the hall with the frown still drawing his brows. An open car was waiting at the door, but he went to it he turned aside and knocked perceptively at another door.

He opened without waiting for a reply and entered a long, low-ceilinged room through which the rays of the afternoon sun were pouring. Leaned, lying on a couch between fire and window, turned her head towards him.

"Haven't you started yet? Surely it's getting very late," she said to her low, rather monotonous voice.

He came to her. "I prefer starting a bit late," he said. "You will have tea ready when we return."

"Certainly," she said.

He stood looking down at her intently. "Are you all right today?" he asked abruptly.

A faint colour rose in her cheeks. "I am—as usual," she said.

"What does that mean?" Gently he put the question. "Why don't you go out more? Why don't you get old Lester to make you up a tonic?"

She smiled a little, but there was slight uneasiness behind her smile. Her eyes had the remote look of one who watches the far horizon. "My dear Eustace," she said, "not now."

He stood suddenly over her. "It is because you won't make the effort," he said, speaking with grim emphasis.

"You're letting yourself go again, I know; I've been watching you for the past week. And by heaven, Isabel, you shan't do it! Scott may be fool enough to let you, but I'm not. You've been home only a week, and you've been steadily losing ground ever since you got back. What is it? What's the matter with you? Tell me what is the matter!"

No instant was his more or almost pronouncing his attitude, than that he shrank from him with a gesture too swift to see.

GREATHEART

A POWERFUL LOVE STORY
By Ethel M. Dell

press. The old pathetic, furtive look was in her eyes as she made reply.

"I am very sorry. I don't see how I can help it—I am getting old, you know. That is the chief reason."

"You're talking nonsense, my dear girl," impatiently Eustace broke in. "You are just coming into your prime. I won't have you ruin your life like this. Do you hear me? I won't. If you don't rouse yourself, I will find a means to rouse you. You are simply drifting now—simply drifting."

"But into my desired haven," whispered Isabel, with a piteous quiver of her lips.

Sir Eustace found his bride-elect awaiting him with a radiant face. She sprang to greet him with an eagerness that outwelt all shyness.

"Oh, Eustace, I have had such a lovely time!" she told him. "It has been a perfect day."

She offered him her lips with a child's simplicity, but blushed deeply when she felt the hot pressure of his, turning her face aside the moment he released her.

He laughed a little, keeping his arm about her shoulders. "You haven't missed me, then?" he said.

"Oh, not a bit," said Dinah truthfully; and then quickly, "But what a horrid thing to say! Why did you put it like that?"

"I wanted to know," said Sir Eustace.

A tea-table stood near a deeply cushioned settee, and the kettle sang merrily over a spirit-lamp.

Eustace dropped on to the settee and drew her suddenly and wholly unexpectedly down upon his knee.

"Oh, Eustace!" she gasped, turning crimson.

He wound his arms about her, holding her two hands imprisoned. "Oh, Daphne!" he mocked softly. "I've caught you—I've caught you. Here in your own bower with no one to look on!"

He went out with Scott, and Dinah was left alone with Sir Eustace.

He spoke at once, sternly and briefly, before she had time to open her lips.

"Dinah, this is no matter for your interference. I forbid you to pursue it any further."

His tone was crushingly absolute; he saw that he was white with rage.

She felt the colour die out of her own cheeks as she faced him. But the Vicar's few words had made a deep impression upon her; she forced back her fear.

"But, Eustace, is it true?" he said. "Is he the man's wife really dying? If so—if so—surely you will let him off?"

He looked at her for a second, then turned, without responding, to the Vicar.

"That was a very unnecessary move on your part, sir," he said icily.

"I wish to tell you my decision in the matter, and there is much rest. Justice is Justice."

Dinah was looking at him very pleadingly; he laid his hand upon her arm, and she felt his fingers close with a strong, restraining pressure.

Mr. Grey turned to go. "I make no excuse, Sir Eustace," he said. "I am begging for mercy, not justice. My cause is urgent. If one weapon fails, I must employ another."

He met Scott as they turned out of the drawing-room, and Biddy's grim old face softened at the sight of him.

He paused. "Hullo! Going to Isabel?"

"She has had a good rest, Biddy!"

"Glory to goodness, Master Scott, she has!" said Biddy fervently.

"That's all right," Scott prepared to pass on. "Eustace hasn't gone, I suppose?"

"No, he is in there, waiting for you."

Scott detained him for a moment.

"Scott, I—I think he is going to let that man off with a light sentence."

"What?" said Scott. "Dinah, you will! How on earth did you do it?"

He looked so pleased that her heart gave a throb of triumph. It had been well worth while just to win that look from him.

"Ah! It's the gentleman in Master Scott," said Biddy, voice at her side.

"I'll never meet his like in all the world. It's a sad life he leads, poor young gentleman, but he keeps a brave heart though never a single man comes his way. May the Almighty reward him and give him his desire before it's too late!"

"What desire?" asked Dinah.

Biddy shot her a lightning glance from her steady eyes, again mysteriously she shook her head.

"And it's the innocent lamb that ye are entirely, Miss Dinah dear!" she said.

With which enigmatical answer Dinah was forced to be content.

The Veiled Warning.

Dinah could not sleep that night. For the first time in all her healthy young life she lay awake with grim care for a bedfellow. When in trouble she had always wept herself to sleep, but to-night she did not weep. She lay wide-eyed, feeling hot and cold by turns as the memory of her lover's devouring passion and Biddy's sinister words alternated in her brain. What was the warning that Biddy had meant to convey? And how—oh, how—could she ever face the morrow and its fierce, prolonged courtship, from the bare thought of which every fibre of her being shrank in shamed dismay?

Towards morning her restlessness became unendurable. She arose and tremblingly paced the room, sick with a nameless apprehension that seemed to deprive her alike of the strength to walk or to still.

Her whole body was in a fever as though it had been scourged with thongs; in fact, she still seemed to feel the scourge, goading her on.

To and fro, to and fro, she wandered, scarcely knowing what she wanted, only urged by that unbearable restlessness that gave her no respite. Of the future ahead of her she did not definitely think. Her marriage still seemed too intangible a matter for serious contemplation. She still in her child's heart believed that marriage would make a difference. He would not make such ardent love to her when they were married. They would both have so many other things to think about. It was the present that so weighed upon her, her lover's almost appalling intensity of worship and her own utter inadequacy and futility.

She began to take comfort in the thought of her approaching wedding and all its attendant glories, picturing every detail with girlish zest. To be the queen of such a brilliant ceremony as that! To be received into the County as one entering a new world! To belong to that Society from which her mother had been excluded! To be in short—"her ladyship."

"You think me very impudent," she said, speaking quickly through quivering lips. "But—but I have a right to speak. If I am to be—your wife, you must not treat me as—a servant."

She saw his look change. The anger was out of it, but something that was more terrible to her took its place, something that she could not meet.

She flinched involuntarily, and in the same moment he drew her close to him.

"Ah, Daphne the adorable!" he said.

"I've never seen you at bay before! You claim your privileges, do you! You think I can refuse you nothing!"

She shrank at his tone—the mastery of the confidence, the carelessness.

"You needn't be afraid," he said, and bent his face to hers. "Whatever you do is law. But don't forget one thing! If I refuse you nothing, I must have everything in exchange. Love the gift is love the debt, my Daphne. You must give me freely all that you have in return."

She trembled in his embrace. Those passionate words of his frightened her now. Was it possible—would it ever be possible—to give him—freely—all that she had?

The doubt shot through her like the stab of a dagger even while she gave her heart to him.

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OUR NEWMARKET LETTER.
WORK OF THE LEGER HORSES.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Newmarket, Saturday.—Much discussion continues to surround the important future events, especially the St. Leger, but until the conditions underfoot improve with the present change in the weather it is difficult to judge the real progress made by our horses for the Doncaster classic.

Whether we shall see any of those who aspire to winning out in public it is difficult to say, although Papyrus, I believe, is likely to have a race, possibly at Newmarket.

After all, much depends upon the improvement made by any particular animal, and in this respect both J. Jarvis' pair, Ellangowan and Eastern Monarch, will not be left behind.

The gallop they were subjected to last Thursday morning was over the full distance, and from my point of vantage both went extremely well. One thing Eastern Monarch will not be wanting in stamina, and has improved very much indeed.

Next week's racing is mostly in the North, but the first part at Wolverhampton does not seem to have elicited any of our usual Stockton provides some well endowed races each day, and among the entries for

PROVINCIAL STABLES.
VIEWS ON THE WEEK'S RACING
FROM CHIEF CENTRES.

AVR.—Honeycomb is a likely winner on Wednesday.

GOUBOURNE.—Usal will win his selected race.

GUILDFORD.—Anchorsome is fancied for the Sprint Handicap at Bath.

MALTON.—Silver Band is well for the Stockton Handicap.

FOXTAIL.—Safety First should take the Northern Stakes at Wolverhampton on Monday.

STOCKBRIDGE.—Alvarez and Harry O are fancied.

LEWES.—Silvester will go very close for the Fountain Handicap at Hurst on Friday.

SUNDAY.—Usal will win his selected race.

WALSHAM.—Warwicks in the Rockley Handicap at Wolverhampton on Tuesday and Wild Mint in the Nonuchs Handicap at Hurst on Saturday are fancied.

EPSON.—Son o' Simon will win the Round Hill Handicap at Bath on Wednesday.

BONCASTER.—Board of Guardians should pay for support in the Trial Selling Plate at Stockton on Tuesday.

WATCOMBE.—Spes is expected to go down for the Stockton Handicap.

ALFRISTON AND BIGGER.—Santana will be thereabouts in the Fountain Handicap at Hurst on Friday.

SEVERE.—Brown Bell will be placed in the Trial Plate at Stockton on Tuesday.

CYANIDE.—Usal may win the Harry Fowler Plate.

SMITTERS.—Equator, in the Wayard Plate at Stockton on Tuesday, looks the best thing of the week from here. Miss Elegance may score at the same meeting.

MIDDLEHAM.—Forrester is likely to score in the first three in the Stockton Handicap. Hastings will be worth supporting if not out at Stockton on Friday.

MANTON.—The best things from here are Waterworks, Saturday; Cognac, Sunday; and Eastern Monarch, Tuesday. Usal, Brown Bell, Thursday. Solids, Hurst on Friday. Bold and Bad is pleasing in his Leger work.

PRATER should be watched.

MONK OF BLITH will be winning shortly.

POMAL is said to have regained his form of a few months ago, and is galloping well.

It should be remembered that TIPPLER, when beaten at Kempton was shouldering 10 lb., and conceding a lot to the winner.

CORCYRIAN is doing extremely well at exercises, and we advise our readers not to let him run loose.

CABAGE was very unlucky in her last outing.

COD DOVER will pay for following to the end of the season.

There is a good handicap to be won by SIMON PURE this year.

LITTLE MARTIN is said to be an Irish lassie in pickle for the Caversham or Ebor Handicap.

TRANQUIL should soon be approaching her peak, and is distinctly one likely to do her best.

IRISH BELFRY is striding out well in her gallops, and is now at about her best.

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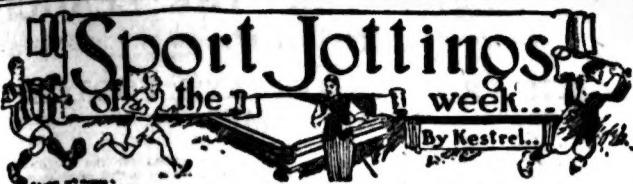
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There is little doubt that Manchester United will start firm favourites. They were by no means the worst team in the leading competition when they suffered humiliation at the end of 1921-22. They had all the bad luck that was going in that season, and it well remember the great surprise of the Liverpool team at the United's lowly position, when the Old Trafford eleven gave them an exceptionally fine game towards the close of the year.

Since then they have steadily been consolidating. Their defence is one of the finest in the Kingdom—an international goalkeeper in Mew, an international full-back in Silcock, and two international half-backs in Barson and Hilditch, while of Bannion, the right half-back, it was remarked by a prominent Welsh football official last season that if Wales had a better for the position in representative games they were lucky.

The trouble last year was undoubtedly forward, and in this department the club had the very worst of luck. Hesler, son, who had topped the Scottish goal-scoring list a short time before, was brought from across the border, but developed leg trouble in his first few games and has not been thoroughly sound since, while Ernest Goldthorpe, one of the biggest finds of last season, also had one or two nasty accidents when the promised promotion was in sight.

Since then the transfer has been secured of David Ellis, one of the fastest raiders in the game, on whom Mr. Chapman had kept a watchful eye since the player left the manager's old club at Airdrie, and he should make a big difference forward. With its wealth of resources the club should regain the First League—undoubtedly the proper status for a club with one of the finest grounds in the country.

BLACKPOOL'S RECORD.

One of the big puzzles with which the football enthusiast is frequently confronted was the inexplicable collapse of Blackpool when the side appeared certain of promotion last season. Probably the failure was not to be much regretted, for it was somewhat difficult to conceive a town with Blackpool's small permanent population and ground paying its way in the First League.

During the past three seasons the seaside club have appropriated more points than any other Second Division organization, and the directors have done wisely in keeping on the books all the players who have contributed to the best period in the club's history. There have been no outstanding transfers, the newcomers being Maurice Wallcock, from Halifax Town; J. E. Wilson, from Cockfield; J. Thompson, from Port Vale; J. Cartthers, from Bradford City; A. Watson, from Felling Colliery; J. McMillan, from Sunderland; A. McKenzie, from Arsenal; and E. Gadsden, from Portsmouth.

The management has changed hands, Major Frank Buckley, the old international, succeeding Mr. W. Norman.

Another side who flattered only to deceive last year were Hartley. They had one of the best vanguards in the Second League, and there were many who were of the opinion that England could have done well with those who chose Wainfleet as leader in her representative games. He was fast, subtle and an exceedingly clever distributor; in fact, possessed in the fullest degree all the attributes for a perfect leader except that bit of very dash which makes all the difference in a game. His play will be watched with some interest this season.

It was the rearguard which let the side down, and it will be gratifying to the supporters that useful defenders have been secured in Barnett (Gainsborough), Dixon (Rawmarsh), and Cook (a youngster from Kirby Colliery, Nottingham); while the half-backs have been strengthened by the acquisition of Russell (Burton All Saints), a much-sought-after player, Brown (who figured in Blackpool's first team last season), and Jeffs (who did well with Everton's Central League team). Several likely forwards have also been secured, and the officials are looking to the approaching campaign with some confidence.

SOUTHAMPTON HOPES.
Southampton are very hopeful of promotion, and there are few teams more calculated to come out on top in the hard-hitting football which the Second League provides than the Saints, who have one of the biggest sides physically in the country. All their first team players have been retained with the exception of Elkes, who has gone to the Spurs, and McCall, who is on the transfer list.

The half-backs will be strengthened by the coming of Harkus from Aston Villa, and Day from Coventry, and these will prove useful substitutes should Campbell, Sheldy or Turner fail to touch their form or become hurt.

One of the weak spots last season was at outside-left, but Carr, from Reading, should make a big difference, and there is also available E. Macdonald, from Burton All Saints, and Len Andrews.

Material evidence of the optimism of those connected with the club is the big improvement on the ground. The playing-pitch at The Dell has been re-turfed, and the east stand has been enlarged, now running the whole length of one side of the pitch. This makes room for an additional 1,500 spectators.

There has been a big exodus at Bury, and many new faces will interest the crowds at Gigg Lane next season. Fifteen of the old players have found new quarters, but of these only two were regular members of the first team, James McCrae's absence may be felt, for he was an earnest, whole-hearted player who did a lot of good to the side, and who may be difficult to replace. James Quinn, the old Preston wing man, is the other to seek pastures new.

There is doubtless much satisfaction that the club has not held up to auction either Norman Bullock or Dick Robbie, two of the brightest stars in the football firmament, on whom doubtless many bigger clubs have cast covetous eyes, and who would command big prices. On these two talented young men will depend most the degree of success of the side next season.

KENT LEAGUE PROSPECTS.

A STRONG TEAM BUILT UP BY CHATHAM.

BY RAMBLER.

In the Kent League, all the indications point to an excellent season, full of keen, exciting football. There is only one Third Division team in the county—Gillingham—and as the main interest of the sporting public is focussed principally on the Kent League matches, which often produce football nearly as good as that in the higher grade. The Kent League matches are always well attended, and the fortunes of the particular teams are followed with lively interest and enthusiasm. Charlton's fine record in the F.A. Cup last season may be quoted as an instance of what the Kent teams can do.

There are four Kent League teams in the Medway towns, the most popular area in the county—Chatham, Gillingham Reservoir, the R.N. Depot, and the R.M.L.I.—while not far away are Maidstone, Shepway, and Sittingbourne. All of these teams, besides those in the other parts of the county, have been making strenuous efforts to equip themselves strongly for the battles of the coming season.

For instance, the directors of the Chatham club claim to have built up a team which



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RAIN UPSETS CRICKET PROGRAMME.

CROWD DEMONSTRATE AT LORD'S: LITTLE PLAY IN TEST TRIAL.

By SHORT-LEG.

RAIN played havoc with the cricket matches yesterday all over the country. In three cases: at Sheffield, Yorkshire v. Glamorgan; Birmingham, Warwick v. Leicestershire; and Chesterfield, Derbyshire v. Notts, no play was possible; whilst at Lord's for the Test Trial match between England and The Rest, play was seriously curtailed.

An interesting last minute inclusion in The Rest team was Makepeace, who had declined earlier in the week to play. It is understood that it was the wish of the Lancashire committee that he should take his place in the side.

A start was made by The Rest, but with the score at 39 for no wicket a heavy storm broke over the ground and the pitch was under water. Hours passed, and it was found impossible to resume until 5.45.

Inspections of the wicket were made by the umpires, and at 5.30 a section of the disappointed crowd made a senseless demonstration in front of the pavilion, but were quickly dispersed by the police. After these drenchings it had been subjected to the wicket was drying very slowly under the influence of spasmodic sunshine and a gentle breeze. At the nursery end it appeared to be fairly fit, but at the other end there was a nasty soft spot which caused the extra delay. When the players reappeared shortly before six o'clock they were subjected to jeers from some of the spectators.

A similar scene occurred at the Essex and Northants match at Southend, where rain had stopped play. It had been arranged to extend the time till seven o'clock, and when at half-past six it was decided to give up all idea of further cricket, the crowd showed resentment by a good deal of barracking.

The best bowling performance of the day was that of Lee, for Middlesex, at Cheltenham, his eight wickets costing only 39 runs. He bowled 19 overs, of which five were maidens. Gloucester would have cut a very poor figure but for the fine play of Hammond (57) and Dipper (39), these two making the only stand during the innings.

The Worcester bowlers had a field day at the expense of Sussex, and R. A. Young was the only batsman who showed any capacity to deal with a keen attack. At Southampton, Lancashire were all out for 131, the batsmen finding themselves in great difficulties on the drying wicket. It was a great struggle for runs, and half the side were out for 55. Duckworth and Leach made a better show subsequently. Hampshire started well, and looked likely to repeat their success over Yorkshire, by securing a first innings lead.

At Canterbury, in the match with the West Indians, B. S. Cumberlege and A. F. Bickmore were the top scorers, the former making a most useful contribution of 51. Kent were 130 on for five wickets, but then came a collapse and nine men were out for 147. Hubble and Freeman then made a fine stand for the tenth wicket, carrying the score to 204 without being separated.

ENGLAND v. THE REST.

At Lord's yesterday, play had been in progress only an hour when rain came on and fell so heavily that in a few minutes the ground was drenched. M. D. Lyon and J. L. Bryan being unable to play owing to injuries, two changes had to be made in The Rest's team, Smith, the Gloucestershire wicketkeeper, and Makepeace coming in. Sandham was asked, but had to decline as he is suffering from a strain. The England side was as selected.

The Rest won the toss, and in the hour's play MacBryan and Makepeace took the score to 39 without being separated. MacBryan, however, when he had made eight, was very badly missed at slip by Mead off Head.

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